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RE: Shooting of suspect in Topeka Police officers homicides

Shortly after midnight, in response to media coverage identifying a suspect in the homicide yesterday of Topeka police officers Cpl. David Gogian, and Officer Jeff Atherly, one of the many citizen calls with tips developed into a substantial lead on the location of the suspect, David Tiscareno.

The Topeka Police Department and Shawnee Sheriff's Office secured a perimeter of a residence and a search warrant was obtained for the apartment. Due to local officers having been the victims, the KBI High Risk Warrant Team was requested to take the lead in serving the warrant and apprehending the suspect.

Using telephone, sirens and loud speakers, KBI attempted to negotiate with the suspect inside of the residence but received no response. At approximately 6:00 a.m., after numerous attempts to make contact with the individual, gas was deployed, and the suspect came out of the home carrying a gun. Initial information is that the suspect fired one shot and several officers responded. The suspect, David Tiscareno, was hit and transported to a local hospital for treatment. The suspect was pronounced dead from his injuries at the hospital.

The Shawnee County Sheriff's office is the lead agency in the investigation of the murders of the officers and the KBI is investigating the incident on Western.

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